20 being retained in the outermost position, since the projections 40 will positively receive the bevelled edge 32 of the rear plunger portion thereagainst without wedging thereover. Further, the projections 40 will prevent any possibility of the plunger 20 being wedged in the innermost position thereof.

While there is shown and described herein certain specific structure embodying this invention, it will be manifest to those skilled in the art that various modifications and rearrangements of the parts may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the underlying inventive concept and that the same is not limited to the particular forms herein shown and described except insofar as indicated by the scope of the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. An electrical contact construction, comprising an elongated tubular body portion formed of a metal material and being open at least at one end to expose the interior bore thereof, a metallic plunger extending into said bore in sliding relation therein and having an enlarged inner plunger portion joined to the inner end thereof, an outer contact plunger portion formed on the exterior end of said plunger for engagement with an exteriorly located contact, a spring located in said bore and being operative to normally urge said plunger in an outwardly direction for exposing said outer contact plunger portion, and retaining means formed in said body portion and being engageable with said plunger for preventing said plunger from sliding outwardly of said body portion, said retaining means including a plurality of spaced inwardly directed projections which define an interrupted annular ring substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of said body portion, the longitudinal dimension of each of said projections extending in the direction of the ring and being greater than the lateral dimension thereof.

2. An electrical contact construction as claimed in claim 1, the longitudinal dimension of said inwardly directed projections being more than twice the lateral dimension thereof.

3. An electrical contact construction as claimed in claim 1, at least four of said projections being formed in said body portion.

4. An electrical contact construction as claimed in claim 3, said projections being spaced equidistant apart around the periphery of said tubular body portion.

5. An electrical contact construction as claimed in claim 4, the centermost point of each projection being spaced 90° apart in radial relation with respect to the centermost point of the adjacent projections.

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